I hereby certify that the aforementioned determinations were issued during the period of November 19, 2012 through November 23, 2012. These determinations are available on the Department's Web site tradeact/taa/taa_search_form.cfm under the searchable listing of determinations or by calling the Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance toll free at 888–365–6822.

Dated: November 28, 2012.

Elliott S. Kushner,

Certifying Officer, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

Investigations Regarding Eligibility To Apply for Worker Adjustment Assistance

Petitions have been filed with the Secretary of Labor under Section 221(a) of the Trade Act of 1974 ("the Act") and are identified in the Appendix to this notice. Upon receipt of these petitions, the Director of the Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance, Employment and Training Administration, has instituted investigations pursuant to Section 221(a) of the Act.

The purpose of each of the investigations is to determine whether the workers are eligible to apply for adjustment assistance under Title II, Chapter 2, of the Act. The investigations will further relate, as appropriate, to the determination of the date on which total or partial separations began or threatened to begin and the subdivision of the firm involved.

The petitioners or any other persons showing a substantial interest in the subject matter of the investigations may request a public hearing, provided such request is filed in writing with the Director, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance, at the address shown below, not later than December 31, 2012.

Interested persons are invited to submit written comments regarding the subject matter of the investigations to the Director, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance, at the address shown below, not later than December 31, 2012.

The petitions filed in this case are available for inspection at the Office of the Director, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance, Employment and Training Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N–5428, 200 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20210.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 29th day of November 2012.

Elliott S. Kushner.

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APPENDIX

[10 TAA petitions instituted between 11/19/12 and 11/23/12]

TA-W	Subject firm (petitioners)	Location	Date of institution	Date of petition
82162	Karastan (Company) Hostess (16 Locations in Michigan) (State/One-Stop) Technicolor Creative Services (State/One-Stop) Hostess Brands (Union) Foamworks, Inc. (State/One-Stop) T-Systems North America (State/One-Stop)	Eden, NC MI Glendale, CA Seattle, WA Morristown, TN Andover, MA	11/20/12 11/20/12 11/20/12 11/20/12 11/21/12 11/21/12 11/21/12 11/23/12	11/19/12 11/19/12 11/19/12 11/19/12 11/20/12 11/19/12 11/21/12 11/21/12
82171			11/23/12	11/21/12

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Request for Information (RFI): Use of National Science Foundation Overseas Offices in Paris, Tokyo, Beijing by Broader Stakeholder Community

AGENCY: National Science Foundation. **ACTION:** Request for information (RFI).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: NSF-FOREIGN-OFFICE-INFO@LISTSERV.NSF.GOV.

DATES: To be considered, submissions must be received by January 18, 2013. **SUMMARY:** *Purpose:* As part of an assessment investigating the function of the three National Science Foundation

overseas offices, this RFI seeks to solicit input from as large a set of stakeholders as possible.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

NSF's current strategic plan states that "NSF envisions a nation that capitalizes on new concepts in science and engineering and provides global leadership in advancing research and education." Because science and engineering are increasingly global, NSF's Office of International Science and Engineering (OISE) seeks to ensure that U.S. institutions and researchers are globally engaged, are able to advance their research through international collaboration, and maintain U.S. leadership within the global scientific community. To pursue its goals in these areas, OISE operates three international

offices. NSF opened its first international office in Tokyo in 1960. Two decades later, the NSF Europe Office, affiliated with UNESCO, opened in Paris and in 2006 the NSF Beijing office was opened.

The major functions of these three offices are:

- Facilitation: Promote collaboration between the science and engineering communities of the United States and the respective country/region.
- Representation: Serve as a liaison between NSF and agencies, institutions and researchers.
- Reporting: Monitor and report on science and engineering developments and policies.

In responding to the following questions, please provide as much detail regarding each interaction and with which office, wherever possible.